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Attorney Docket No. 373US-C2 First Named Inventor: Owen Jones  
Anticipated Classification of This Application: Class 381 Subclass 72  
Prior Application Examiner MEI, Xu Art Unit 2747

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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a request for filing a

☒ continuation

☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application serial no. 08/968,873 filed on November 5, 1997 entitled VARIABLE GAIN ACTIVE NOISE CANCELING SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED RESIDUAL NOISE SENSING.

- Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed prior application, including a copy of the executed oath or declaration showing the original signature or an indication it was signed.
- ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:
- The fees to be charged as calculated below are to be based on the number of claims remaining as a result of the:  
☐ cancellation in this application of original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application (at least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).  
☒ attached preliminary amendment.

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a. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16.

b. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

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5. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

6. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a [X] continuation, ☐ division of application number 08/968,873, filed November 5, 1997, (application status etc.), which is hereby incorporated by reference."

7. ☐ The drawings as filed in the prior pending application are enclosed ( \_\_\_\_\_ sheets).

8. ☒ New formal drawings are enclosed (twenty-five (25) sheets).

9. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

10. ☐ Priority of foreign application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

11. ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application number \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

12. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Noise Cancellation Technologies, Inc., 1025 West Nursery Road, Linthicum, Maryland 21090.

13. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

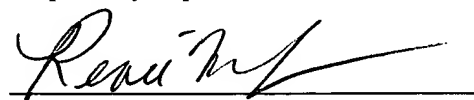
14. ☐ Also enclosed:

15. Please date stamp and return the enclosed receipt post card.

16. The correspondence address is:

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